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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: XGDS 1
TAGS: MASS, IR, TU
SUBJ: ARMS TO TURKEY

REF: TEHRAN 3906

1. AT AUDIENCE MORNING JULY 5, SHAH MENTIONED AGAIN HIS PROPOSAL TO THE PRESIDENT DURING MAY VISIT OF SOLVING THE ARMS-TO-TURKEY PROBLEM BY USING IRAN AS INTERMEDIARY. HAVING RECEIVED NO REPLY TO THIS PROPOSITION, THE SHAH CLEARLY REALIZES THAT WASHINGTON HAS REAL DIFFICULTIES WITH IT. NEVERTHELESS, HE WORRIES ABOUT THE PROBLEM, BECAUSE HE DOES NOT SEE MUCH PROGRESS IN GETTING THE HOUSE IN CONGRESS TO CHANGE ITS MIND. HE WONDERS WHAT ALTERNATIVES THE USG IS CONSIDERING SINCE HE POINTS OUT WITH SOME EMPHASIS THAT THE FREE WORLD CANNOT AND MUST NOT LOSE TURKEY. HE EMPHASIZES THAT THIS "TRIVLE", AS HE REFERS TO THE ARMS PROBLEM, BIDS FAIR TO FORCE THE TURKS TO ADOPT A POLICY WHICH IS NOT ONLY CONTRARY TO THE INTERESTS OF THE FREE WORLD BUT ALSO TO THE INTERESTS OF TURKEY ITSELF.

2. IS THERE ANYTHING WHICH YOU WISH TO CONVEY TO THE SHAH ON THIS SUBJECT?
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